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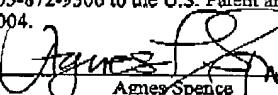
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Agnes Spence**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**
UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

NOTE: If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on ____.
(Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____.
 - iii. Other ____.
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit/Declaration
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
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 - iv. Other ____.

2. **Fees:** (*The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.*)

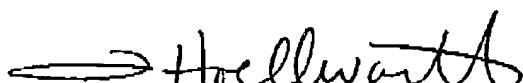
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- a. Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time.
- b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- c. Enclosed is our Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the RCE fee, and/or extension of time fees.
- d. The Director is authorized to charge the required fees, RCE Filing Fee (\$770.00) and Two-Month Extension of Time fee (\$420.00) to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. LAM1P123)

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